



#### FIRST GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT



RAD REFERRAL: 99NF-23 DATE ACTIVATED: 3/17/00

EXPIRATION OF STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS: 1/31/03 (earliest) STAFF MEMBER: Anne Weissenborn

Karen White

SOURCE:

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**RESPONDENTS:** 

Lincoln Club of Riverside County and Kathleen A. Daley, as treasurer

RELEVANT STATUTES:

2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(4)(A)(i), (ii). (iii) and (iv)

11 C.F.R. § 104.5(c)(1)(i),(ii), and (iii) and (2)(i)(B)

INTERNAL REPORTS CHECKED:

Referral Materials
Disclosure Reports

FEDERAL AGENCIES CHECKED:

None

### I. GENERATION OF MATTER

The Office of the General Counsel received a referral from the Reports Analysis Division on November 4, 1999. The basis of the referral is the failure of the Lincoln Club of Riverside County and Kathleen A. Daley, as treasurer, ("Respondents") to file timely their 1997 Year End and 1998 April Quarterly, July Quarterly, October Quarterly, 12 Day Pre-General and 30 Day-Post General Reports. The reports were filed between sixty (60) and three hundred and sixty-six (366) days late.

Respondents were referred for a possible 2 U.S.C. § 438(b) audit covering the 1997-98 election cycle. The Commission voted on October 19, 1999 not to audit.

## II. FACTUAL AND LEGAL ANALYSIS

Based on the Factual and Legal Analysis, <u>see</u> Attachment 1, this Office recommends that the Commission find reason to believe that Respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(4)(A)(i), (ii), (iii) and (iv).

## III. DISCUSSION OF CONCILIATION AND CIVIL PENALTY

In addition to recommending that the Commission find reason to believe that Respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(4)(A)(i),(ii),(iii) and (iv), this Office also recommends that the Commission offer to enter into conciliation with Respondents prior to a finding of probable cause to believe. Attached for the Commission's approval is a proposed conciliation agreement. Attachment 2.



















## IV. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Open a MUR.
- 2. Find reason to believe that the Lincoln Club of Riverside County and Kathleen A. Daley, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(4)(A)(i), (ii) and (iv) and enter into conciliation with Respondents prior to a finding of probable cause to believe.
- 3. Approve the attached proposed Factual and Legal Analysis and conciliation agreement, and the appropriate letter.

Lawrence M. Noble General Counsel

5/10/00

Date

BY:

Lois G. Lerner

Associate General Counsel

### Attachments:

- 1. Factual and Legal Analysis
- 2. Proposed Conciliation Agreement



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TO:

Office of the Commission Secretary

FROM:

Office of General Counsel

DATE:

May 11, 2000

SUBJECT: 99NF-23-First General Counsel's Report

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